

FRIGHTFUL WRECK
NARROWLY AVERTED

Rio Grande Train
Derailed on High
Trestle

BRIDGE PARTIALLY BURNED

Coaches Kept From Plung-
ing Into Canon Below
by Miracle.

Accommodation train No. 425, on the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, was wrecked yesterday afternoon about eight miles north of Embudo, and by the merest chance the twelve passengers and entire train crew were saved from a horrible death by being dashed to the jagged rocks at the bottom of a deep canyon spanned by a high trestle upon which the train was derailed.

Passengers arriving in Santa Fe last evening told of the hair-breadth escape and shuddered when reciting their experiences. The accident happened about 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. A part of the trestle had been destroyed by fire, presumably set by an engine on a north-bound train. The engine, box cars and baggage car had passed over the burned portion when the accident happened. Both passenger coaches left the rails and all but tipped over. It seems that but one side of the bridge was damaged by the fire.

Passengers Tell of Wreck.
Miss Anna C. Newburgh, a well known newspaper woman of southern Colorado, who, until a short time ago, was editor of the La Jara Chronicle, at La Jara, Colorado, was a passenger on the train. In speaking of the wreck she said:

"We were about eight miles north of Embudo when a sickening tottering of our coach caused a panic among the passengers. We were over a deep canyon spanned by a trestle and instantly every one thought of the danger of being dashed to the rocks below. The engineer brought the train to a stop very suddenly. The two passenger coaches were leaning over one side of the trestle dangerously near to being overbalanced. The track was torn up for several rods and the trucks under the coaches were torn loose and twisted in with brake beams and suspension rods.

Miraculous Escape From Death.
"Conductor Smith, who was in charge of the train, asked all the passengers to step into the baggage car and in this way we rode to Embudo where proper accommodations were secured and we reached Santa Fe none the worse for our experience. But I do not care to go through another similar experience. It is a wonder that all on the train were not killed. I talked to the trainmen and they marvel at the escape. Had the engine gone through the bridge the entire train would have piled up at the bottom of the canyon and few, if any would have escaped with their lives."

The train was in charge of Conductor W. S. Smith whose prompt action in having the passengers transferred to the baggage car and brought on is deserving of commendation. A wrecking train was dispatched to the scene of the accident and it is probable that the burned bridge will be repaired this afternoon.

Accident Caused But Slight Delay
On this train were several Shriners, who were on their way to Raton to be present at the initiation of several persons there tonight. A lodge is to be instituted and an excellent time is being anticipated. Among them was Dr. T. P. Martin, of Taos, who is well and favorably known in Santa Fe. These Shriners proposed to Conductor Smith to plan some way to get them to Santa Fe in order to make connection with the passenger train on the branch of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe so that they could reach Raton in time for the ceremonies tonight. The connection was made easily.

SUSPENDED OFFICER
IS RE-INSTATED

Policeman Ramon Jimenez Permitted to Wear Star Again—Charges Against Him Dropped.

Charges of misconduct made against Ramon Jimenez, a member of the city police force, have been withdrawn and he will be entitled to wear a star again. The charges were made against him by E. Gonzales and Mrs. Mary Craig. Gonzales claimed that the officer brutally struck his boy while the woman claimed that Jimenez disturbed her peace and that of her assistants.

If you want anything on earth—try a New Mexican want "ad."

COMPLETES WORK AS
ASSESSMENT BOARD

County Commissioners Finish Up Important Business and Convene in Special Session.

The Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe county this morning completed its work for this year as a board of assessment and this afternoon was sitting as a board of county commissioners in special session. Yesterday afternoon and this morning the following assessments were changed:

New Mexican Printing company's assessment was raised from \$4,750 to \$5,150 on type, presses and machinery.

Venceslao Jaramillo's assessment was raised from real estate from \$1,000 to \$1,200.

The Mesita de Juana Lopez Grant assessment was raised from \$3,000 to \$5,050.

The land assessed to unknown parties, T. B. Catron claimant, was raised from \$229 to \$977.

Carl A. Bishop's assessment was raised from \$600 to \$800 on real estate.

The assessment of Maude E. Frost's real estate was raised from \$950 to \$1,250.

P. F. Wright's assessment was raised on real estate from \$750 to \$950.

Montoya de Gallegos Candelario's assessment was raised from \$450 to \$900.

Dora R. Nusbaum's assessment was raised from \$1,050 to \$1,250.

The assessment made of Mrs. Ella O. Wood's property was raised from \$1,200 to \$1,300.

Mrs. Arthur Seligman's assessment was raised on residence on Palace avenue from \$800 to \$1,000.

Arthur Seligman's assessment was raised on business block from \$1,200 to \$1,700.

A. Staab's assessment was raised from \$10,025 to \$13,750 on real estate and from \$2,600 to \$5,600 on personal property.

Seligman Brothers' assessment on merchandise was raised from \$4,000 to \$5,000.

Nathan Salmon's assessment was raised on real estate from \$6,625 to \$11,625 and on personal property from \$4,115 to \$5,215.

Mrs. Carol McKenzie's assessment on real estate was raised from \$3,490 to \$3,690.

Fritz Epsig's property was assessed by the board at \$380.

Charles Haspelmath's assessment was raised from \$3,050 to \$3,300.

Adolph Seligman's assessment was raised from \$2,300 to \$3,100 on personal property.

J. G. Schumann's assessment was fixed at \$7,845 on real estate and personal property.

Dr. J. M. Diaz's sanitarium assessment was raised from \$3,700 to \$4,000.

Sitting as a board of county commissioners exemptions were allowed to the following persons: Rufina Ortiz de Rivera, Bonifacio Sandoval, Apolonia Sandoval, Julian L. Romero, Manuel D. Vigil, J. D. C. Valencia, Apolonia Vigil, Louisa R. de Romero, Juan C. Sandoval.

O. P. BELMONT CRITICALLY
ILL WITH APPENDICITIS

Hempstead, L. I., June 5.—O. P. Belmont who is critically ill with an attack of appendicitis is reported to be slightly better today.

HOKE SMITH IS
BEATEN IN GEORGIA

John M. Brown De-
feats Him in State
Primaries

MAJORITY EXCEEDS 14,000

No Opposition to Re-Nomi-
nation of United States
Senator Clay.

Atlanta, Ga., June 5.—With a few doubtful counties still to be heard from, unofficial returns show that John M. Brown has defeated Governor Hoke Smith for the nomination for governor in yesterday's Democratic primaries by a majority slightly over 14,000. The vote from the missing counties will not materially change Brown's majority.

All the present congressmen were returned except B. Lewis, in the Third district. In this district the race is close and the latest returns indicate the nomination of his opponent, Dudley M. Hughes.

There was no opposition to the re-nomination of United States Senator A. S. Clay.

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TRACE DISPOSITION
OF SLUSH FUND

Nebraska Newspaper
Got \$5,000 of
\$15,000

EDITOR MAKES STATEMENT

No Evidence to Show That
Bryan Was Paid to Sup-
port Parker in 1904.

Omaha, Neb., June 5.—Some light was thrown on the disposition of the \$15,000 slush fund raised in New York in 1904 and spent in the Nebraska campaign, by a statement given out today by Thomas H. Tibbles, populist candidate for vice president in 1904. At that time Tibbles was editor of the Independent, published at Lincoln, and Bryan's Commoner was printed by the Independent plant. Bryan's editorial desk was in the Independent office. In his statement Tibbles says:

\$5,000 Spent for Special Edition.

"I know where \$5,000 of that New York slush fund went. It went into a special edition of 95,000 copies of the Independent which was gotten out for the purpose of electing George W. Berge, governor. The entire paper was given up to his candidacy in that edition. The Independent was a Populist paper and Berge was the Fusion candidate for governor. This amount was handed to us by Tom Allen, James C. Dahlman and Colonel John G. Maher, and they secured the funds from the Democratic national committee on a trip they made to New York. I don't know what became of the other \$10,000, but I know positively the disposition of that \$5,000.

Bryan Not Paid for His Support.

"I also know something about the charge that \$15,000 was sent to Nebraska to get W. J. Bryan to support Parker. The day after Bryan returned from the St. Louis convention he dropped into the Independent office, sat down at his desk and began writing an editorial. The first words were: 'I shall support Parker.' We put the editorial in type and ran it in the Commoner the following week. All that was done before there was any talk of needing money in the Nebraska election and should dispose of the ridiculous talk about Bryan being paid to support Parker."

TO BEGIN WORK
SOMETIME IN JULY

Senate Committee on Finance Will En-
ter Upon Its Investigation of
Tariff Next Month.

Washington, June 5.—The Senate committee on finance which was authorized to make an investigation of the tariff during the recess of Congress, so as to be in readiness to take up a review of the tariff at the short session next winter, will hold its first meeting for this purpose about the middle of July. The exact date has not been fixed but it will be announced by Chairman Aldrich about July 1. The committee will assemble at some cool summer resort, probably in New England, and will outline the work to be done.

It will be necessary to secure a large amount of information connected with the interpretation of the present tariff law, both by the courts and by the board of appraisers, which duty will devolve upon a sub-committee. It has not yet been decided when these hearings will be had. Probably some time in November will be fixed for that purpose.

ARRESTED FOR
SHOCKING MURDER

Special to the New Mexican.

East Las Vegas, N. M., June 5.—Officers today arrested Elugio Marquez, a brother-in-law of Jesus Maria Barrios, the aged merchant of Chaperito, who was brutally murdered there on Tuesday night, his head being severed from his body with an axe, charging him with the crime.

When arrested Marquez was wearing a suit of clothes stained with blood and his underclothes and socks were soaked with clotted blood. Wearing these he attended the funeral of his alleged victim and wept at the bier. It was there that suspicion was aroused against him. He was promptly brought to this city and lodged in the county jail.

Marquez protests his innocence. "I know nothing about the killing," he said, weeping all the time. Barrios was a Penitente. Three days before he was murdered he called thirty of his sect together and told them: "If I am killed go get Marquez. He told me he would kill me."

ROOSEVELT GOING
TO EAST AFRICA

Will Seek Needed
Rest Upon Leav-
ing White House

TO WRITE ANOTHER BOOK

With His Son Kermit, He
Will Study Animal and
Bird Life.

Washington, June 5.—Since the close of Congress President Roosevelt has given attention to his plans for a trip to British East Africa next summer on which it is understood, Kermit his son, will accompany him. The President will carry a complete camping outfit and will devote much of his time to the study of the habits of wild animals and birds collecting material for a book, which it is believed he will write after his return.

PLANS EXTENSIVE
IRRIGATION PROJECT

Denver Capitalist Proposes to Reclaim
Several Thousand Acres in
Luna County.

P. M. Gaar, of Denver, Colorado, who was in the city the first of the week, has an irrigation project which is said to be the only one of its kind ever planned in the United States. Mr. Gaar proposes to irrigate several thousand acres of land near Deming by means of pumping water from a long well dug so as to catch all the underflow. He laid plans for the project before the territorial officials and it is likely that a contract will be entered into between the territory and Mr. Gaar soon that will mean the reclaiming of several thousand acres of land that apparently is beyond the reach of water through irrigating ditches.

This land slopes gradually. At the upper end of the valley it is a very short distance to water. A long well has been dug and a gasoline engine attached to a series of large pumps the capacity of which are three thousand gallons a minute. From the well the slope is greater than in the valley to be irrigated and there is no difficulties to overcome in putting water on a very large tract of land.

At the proper time the company, of which Mr. Gaar is the promoter, will enter into a contract with the territory, the land will be sold by the territory and the water rights by the company, a procedure similar to that of all irrigation projects. Pictures of the well and the land Mr. Gaar proposes to reclaim, may be seen at the office of the Commissioner of Public Lands Robert P. Ervin.

ADVANCE IN PRICE
OF COAL LANDS

Under Classification By Geological
Survey Value of Those in Monero
Field is Considerable Raised.

Under the recent classification of certain coal lands by the United States Geological Survey in the coal area of the territory the minimum price per acre at which coal land in the Monero coal field may be purchased, has been advanced.

A bulletin has been received by Captain F. C. Dezenod, chief of special agents of the general land office, announcing that townships 31 north, one east and one west, have been classified and that the land is to bring not less than \$25 for certain parts while other sections are to bring not less than fifty and some must sell at sixty dollars an acre.

This is the highest classification ever made on coal lands in the north-western part of the Sunshine Territory. A few mines are being worked in this section and now that these two townships may be purchased other mines are expected to be developed and worked as the coal is said to be first-class all over that field.

The regular maximum price heretofore has been \$20 and considerable of the coal lands sold at this price were equal to the lands recently classified. Government surveyors have been at work on these two townships about eighteen months. Other townships nearby probably will be classified soon as surveys are now being made.

SENATOR BAILEY TO
UNDERGO OPERATION.

New York, June 5.—There was no change today in the condition of U. S. Senator Bailey of Texas, who is at the Waldorf Astoria preparing for an operation to relieve an affection of the throat. Bailey said he did not regard his condition as at all serious.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE
MEETS IN CHICAGO

Consideration of Contested Delegation Begun—Foraker and Knox Booms Launched.

Chicago, June 5.—The Republican national committee met at 10 o'clock this morning in the Annex to the Coliseum to consider contests for seats as delegates to the national convention. The committee's decisions when favorable to the claims of the delegates will entitle them to seats on the temporary roll call. Nearly all the members of the national committee had arrived and it was intended to push the hearings as rapidly as possible.

The first contest was that of Alabama, whose entire delegation is contested. It is believed the testimony will occupy four or five hours and the consideration of the testimony will occupy the remainder of the day.

The Foraker headquarters, which it was announced yesterday would be opened in the Great Northern hotel, did not materialize, according to schedule, but Charles L. Murtz of Columbus, Ohio, made his appearance as the personal representative of the Ohio senator.

The boom of Senator Knox is scheduled for an official launching today on the arrival of Representative James F. Burke of Pittsburg.

BURGLARS MORTALLY
WOUND AGED TRADER

Store of J. W. Moss at Chaves, Mc-
Kinley County, Looted and Pro-
prietor Almost Beaten to Death.

Gallup, N. M., June 5.—One of the most brutal crimes in the annals of McKinley county was committed at Chaves, this county, on Wednesday night, when J. W. Moss, an aged trader, was mortally wounded by burglars who entered his store, looting it of a considerable sum of money and some valuable Navajo blankets.

The crime was not discovered until yesterday morning when a customer went to the store about 9 o'clock and finding Moss had not opened for the day became suspicious let he was sick and entered the place. A ghastly sight met his gaze. Lying on the floor in a pool of his own blood was Moss. His head had almost been beaten to a jelly and while still alive he was unconscious.

A Santa Fe passenger train was flagged and Moss brought here for medical treatment. He has not regained consciousness and the attending physicians say there is no hope for his recovery, as his skull has been fractured in half a dozen places.

A posse has gone in search of the robbers. Five hundred dollars in a tin can on a shelf were overlooked by the burglars.

PRESIDENT OF DEMING
NATIONAL BANK DEAD.

Deming, N. M., June 5.—Frank Thurmond, president of the Deming National bank, died here yesterday, aged 67 years. Mr. Thurmond had been in bad health for six months past but the immediate cause of death was a malignant growth in the nasal passage. The deceased was prominent in the business affairs of southern New Mexico.

OAKS STAKES WON
BY SIGNORINETTA

Italian Filly An-
nexes Another
Classic Event

FAVORITE FELL IN STRETCH

Second Sensational Victory
in a Week for Unknown
Galloper.

London, June 5.—The Oaks Stakes, of \$25,000 for three-year-old fillies, about one mile and a half, was run at Epsom Downes today and was won by Signorinetta, the winner of the English Derby last Wednesday. Courtesy was second and Santey was third. In all thirteen horses ran. Rhodora, Richard Crocker's entry, fell down.

Rhodora was three and three-quarters lengths ahead of the winner when she fell. Jockey Lucine Lynne, who was riding Rhodora, was not hurt by the fall. The betting was 3 to 1 against Signorinetta and 100 to 7 against Courtesy and Santey. Rhodora started at odds of 6 to 4 against. Signorinetta's time was 2:42.25.

If you have anything to sell, rent or exchange use the "Want" columns of the New Mexican.

TWO STATES AT
MERCY OF FLOODS

Waterspout in Kan-
sas Does Fearful
Damage

ONE RIVER 5 MILES WIDE

Situation in Western Montana
Serious—Railroad Traf-
fic at Standstill.

Topeka, Kans., June 5.—Reports which reached Topeka today from the valley of the Kaw river and its tributaries west of this city indicate a five-foot rise in the river at this point during the next twenty-four hours. Heavy rains have been falling during the past twenty-four hours along headwaters of the streams tributary to the Kaw. The present stage of the river at Topeka is 16 feet. To be a flood stage it would have to reach 21 feet. The high water of 1903 reached 30 feet. The rainfall in the valleys of the tributary streams during the past twenty-four hours has exceeded two inches. A heavy rain-fell during the night at Topeka and an almost continual fall prevailed during the morning hours today.

Waterspout Visits Two Counties.

Independence, Kans., June 5.—A waterspout extending over Wilson and Greenwood counties early today caused the Verdigris river to rise rapidly resulting in much damage, the flooding of the lowlands along the river and the wiping out of crops. Many cattle were also swept away. The river is 4 or 5 miles wide at this point and is at the highest stage in its history.

Situation Serious in Montana.

Missoula, Mont., June 5.—At noon today the flood situation in western Montana was more serious than it has been at any time since the thirty-days rain began. The rainfall for the past twenty-four hours has been the heaviest of the month and all streams are at the danger point. Word came to Missoula this morning that the Moulton dam above Butte had burst and this flood had raised the river at Garrison, 75 miles east of Missoula, four feet at noon. This water is expected to reach here this afternoon. There are two large dams between Garrison and Missoula and their destruction is now threatened. The largest of these is a power dam owned by W. A. Clark. If this goes out it will cause the destruction of farms in the valley for miles around.

No Trains Moving.

The railroad situation in western Montana is serious. The Northern Pacific has not moved a train between Missoula and Helena and Butte since last Monday and it may be weeks before the damage that the water has caused can be repaired. Miles of new road bed of the St. Paul railroad east of here have been swept away and it is estimated that it will be more than a month before the damage can be repaired.

Rains Continue; Rivers Keep Rising.

The Big Blackfoot river is at the flood stage and there is great danger of the destruction of the big dam of the Blackfoot Milling company at Benner, which contains about 60 million feet of logs. Wagon bridges all along the river have been swept away. The Bitterroot river is becoming threatening and the railroad bridges along this stream are unsafe. The Northern Pacific railway has assembled on this division all its pile drivers from the West it can get. The fight against the raging waters is being carried on by ten thousand men, but the water is gaining steadily and the rain continues to fall in torrents.

Railroad Traffic Suspended.

The Missoula river at this point is but a few feet below the highest mark ever registered. The expensive city bridges are in danger and are being guarded to prevent their use, so dangerous are they considered. West of here the Northern Pacific has not had any trouble yet. The Great Northern railway in western Montana is said to be in as bad shape as the St. Paul.

INSURANCE COMPANY OFFICIAL
ESCAPES PRISON SENTENCE

New York, June 5.—The verdict of the court against Walter Gillette, former vice-president of the Mutual Life Insurance company, who had been convicted of perjury in connection with the recent insurance investigation was set aside today by the appellate division of the supreme court. Gillette had been sentenced to serve six months in prison.

It is an admitted fact that real estate, financial men and merchants all say that quickest and best results are obtained by advertising in the New Mexican.